(b) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) The fund allocation made to Orissa during the Eighth Plan for small and medium towns are as given below :—

(Rs. in lakhs)

NAME OF TOWN	APPROVED PROJECT COST	CENTRAL ASSISTANCE RELEASED				
		92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	TOTAL
Jajpur	167.00	20.00	—	—	—	20.00
Basudevpur	200.00	25.00	—	—	—	25.00
Athagarh	100.00	10.00	—	—	—	10.00
Jarsuguda	500.00	35.00	—	—	—	35.00
Digpahandi	97.39	—	12.00	—	—	12.00
Bhanjanagar	60.00	—	—	7.00	—	7.00
Titilagarh	200.00	—	—	24.00	—	24.00
Underkote	105.53	—	—	12.00	—	12.00
Chodwar	134.72	—	—	16.00	—	16.00
Tarabha	134.72	—	—	12.00	—	12.00
Chatrapur	83.89	—	—	15.00	—	15.00
Paralakhamundi	200.00	—	—	36.00	—	36.00
Kamakshyanagar	100.00	—	—	9.00	—	9.00
Nowrangpur	200.01	—	—	15.00	—	15.00
Berhampur	501.95	—	—	—	52.00	52.00
Konark	111.01	—	—	—	16.00	16.00
Puri	438.00	—	—	—	16.00	16.00
Total	3314.62	90.00	12.00	146.00	84.00	332.00

Dearness Allowance

5285. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether on the basis of All India Consumers Price Index, Dearness Allowances to the serving employees, pensioners and family pensioners was sanctioned @97% of basic pay/basic pension w.e.f. July 1, 1993;

(b) whether the Government have issued orders for treating 97 percent of the Dearness Allowance as pay for computing gratuity to retiring employees and not for pension and commutation of pension from a subsequent date i.e. April 1, 1995;

(c) whether the Government have received any request for treating 97 percent Dearness Allowances as pay w.e.f. July 1, 1993 for all retirement benefits, i.e. gratuity, pension, commutation of pension and family pension; and

(d) if so, the decision taken by the Government thereon alongwith the reasons therefor ?

for 1997-98 has not been fixed so far.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) Government of India vide its order dated 27.9.93 sanctioned Dearness Allowance to its serving employees w.e.f. 1.7.1993 as under :—

Basic pay upto Rs. 3500/- p.m.	97% of pay.
Basic pay above Rs. 3500/- p.m. and upto Rs. 6000/- p.m.	73% of pay subject to a minimum of Rs. 3395/- p.m.
Basic pay above Rs. 6000/-	63% of pay subject to a minimum of Rs. 4380/- p.m.

Similarly, dearness relief to the Central Govt. Pensioners/ Family Pensioners was sanctioned at the rates mentioned below :—

Not exceeding Rs. 1750/- p.m.	97% of Pension/ Family Pension.
Exceeding Rs. 1750/- but not exceeding Rs. 3000/- p.m.	73% of Pension/ Family Pension subject to a minimum of Rs. 1698/-.
Exceeding Rs. 3000/- p.m.	63% of Pension/Family Pension subject to a minimum of Rs. 2190/-.

(b) On the basis of the recommendations made by the Fifth Central Pay Commission in its Interim Report, orders were issued that dearness alloance linked to AICPI 1201.66 be treated as Dearness Pay as indicated below:

Basic pay upto Rs. 3500/- p.m.	97% of pay.
Basic pay above p.m. and upto Rs. 6000/- p.m.	Rs. 3500/- 73% of pay subject to a minimum of Rs. 3395/-.
Basic pay above Rs. 6000/- p.m.	63% of pay subject to a minimum of Rs. 4380/-.

for reckoning emoluments for the purpose of retirement gratuity/death gratuity under the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 in the case of Central Government employees who retire on or after 1.4.1995.

(c) and (d) : Representations have been received by the Government for amendment of the date of effect of the order dated 1.4.1995. The date of effect of orders has been decided on the recommendations of the Fifth Central Pay Commission. The Government do not propose to review these orders.

HUDCO Projects

5286. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Housing and Urban Development Corporation has so far cleared 11800 projects involving Rs. 11500 crores;